

508C.12 Prevention of insolvencies.

1. To aid in the detection and prevention of insurer insolvencies or impairments the commissioner shall:

a. (1) Notify the commissioners or insurance departments of other states or territories of the United States and the District of Columbia when any of the following actions against a member insurer is taken:

(a) A license is revoked.

(b) A license is suspended.

(c) A formal order is made that a company restrict its premium writing, obtain additional contributions to surplus, withdraw from the state, reinsure all or any part of its business, or increase capital, surplus, or any other account for the security of policyholders or creditors.

(2) Notice shall be mailed to the commissioners or departments within thirty days following the earlier of when the action was taken or the date on which the action occurs. This subparagraph does not supersede section 507C.9, subsection 5.

b. Report to the board of directors when the commissioner has taken any of the actions set forth in paragraph "a" or has received a report from any other commissioner indicating that such action has been taken in another state. Reports to the board of directors shall contain all significant details of the action taken or the report received from another commissioner.

c. Report to the board of directors when there is reasonable cause to believe from an examination, whether completed or in process, of a member insurer that the insurer may be an impaired or insolvent insurer.

d. Furnish to the board of directors the national association of insurance commissioners' insurance regulatory information system ratios, and listing of insurers not included in the ratios, developed by the national association of insurance commissioners, and the board may use the information in carrying out its duties and responsibilities under this section. The report and the information contained in the report shall be kept confidential by the board of directors until such time as it is made public by the commissioner or other lawful authority.

2. The commissioner may seek the advice and recommendations of the board of directors concerning any matter affecting the commissioner's duties and responsibilities regarding the financial condition of member insurers and companies seeking admission to transact insurance business in this state.

3. The board of directors may upon majority vote make reports and recommendations to the commissioner upon any matter germane to the solvency, liquidation, rehabilitation or conservation of a member insurer or germane to the solvency of a company seeking to transact insurance business in this state. These reports and recommendations are not public records pursuant to chapter 22.

4. Upon majority vote, the board of directors shall notify the commissioner of any information indicating that a member insurer may be an impaired or insolvent insurer.

5. Upon majority vote, the board of directors may request that the commissioner order an examination of a member insurer which the board in good faith believes may be an impaired or insolvent insurer. The examination may be conducted as a national association of insurance commissioners examination or may be conducted by persons designated by the commissioner. The cost of the examination shall be paid by the association and the examination report shall be treated as are other examination reports. The examination report shall not be released to the board of directors prior to its release to the public, but this shall not preclude the commissioner from complying with subsection 1. The commissioner shall notify the board of directors when the examination is completed. The request for an examination shall be kept on file by the commissioner but it is not a public record pursuant to chapter 22 until the release of the examination report to the public.

6. Upon majority vote, the board of directors may make recommendations to the commissioner for the detection and prevention of insurer insolvencies.

87 Acts, ch 223, §12; 88 Acts, ch 1112, §204; 2011 Acts, ch 70, §17 – 19; 2012 Acts, ch 1023, §107

Referred to in §22.7

[T] Subsection 1, paragraph a amended